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SBA Offers Disaster Assistance to Nebraska Residents and Businesses Affected by Tornadoes, High Winds and Flooding

Gov. Dave Heineman and the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency were notified today by the U.S. Small Business Administration of an administrative declaration of a disaster for Stanton County which was affected by tornadoes, high winds and flooding that occurred from June 14 through June 21.

As a result of the declaration, low-interest federal disaster loans are now available to residents and business owners in Stanton County and the neighboring counties of Colfax, Cuming, Madison, Pierce, Platte and Wayne.

Gov. Heineman submitted a request to the SBA on Tuesday, July 29, to help Nebraskans who were impacted by the severe storms, tornadoes, straight-line winds and flooding. SBA acted under its own authority to declare a disaster following the July 28 denial of the state's request for a major disaster declaration.

"Nebraskans truly appreciate the approval of the SBA assistance following the June storms," Heineman said. "The low-interest federal disaster loans available to homeowners, renters and businesses will provide needed assistance in the recovery of the affected communities."

SBA representatives will staff a Disaster Loan Outreach Center to answer questions about SBA's disaster loan program, explain the application process and help each individual complete their application:

Stanton County Disaster Loan Outreach Center Stanton County Courthouse, Commissioners Room, 804 lvy St. Stanton, NE 68779 Opens Monday, Aug. 4 at 8 a.m. Hours: 8 am – 4:30 p.m. Mondays – Fridays

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